The expenditure likely to be incurred for the proposed coverage of the new schools is about Rs. 6,48,000.

Extension of services of Cantonment Boards' Employees

3541. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact in most of the cases employees of non-supervisory categories working under Cantonment Boards are given two years extension after superannuation; and

(b) if so, what is the number of primary teachers who were given two years extension of service after superannuation during the last three years?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Eviction by defence department in Bagdogra

3542. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received representations from the people of Bogdogra in West Bengal regarding the reported move of evicting them by Defence authorities; and

(b) if so, what steps Government contemplate to take to solve the grievances of these thousands of people threatened by Defence department for eviction with details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) and (b) In February 1990, 679 families were found to have encroached on about 25-30 acres of Defence land in Karaibarijeth area earmarked for setting up of a Military Station. The Army has initiated action for removal of the encroachments. Representations have been received against this move There is no proposal to provide any assistance to these encroachers.

Publication of Sainik Samachar

3543. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Sainik Samachar is published in different Indian Languages;

(b) if so, what are these languages; and

(c) on what considerations these languages are determined?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Sainik Samachar is published in Assamese, Bengali, Gorkhali, Hindi, Urdu, Kannada, Malayalam, Marathi, Oriya, Punjabi, Tamil, Telgu and English.

(c) As per the existing policy, Sainik Samachar is published in a given language if the number of Service personnel knowing that language exceeds 15,000.

3544. [*Transferred to 19th August, 1992*].

Land area under cantonments

3545. SHRI SOM PAL:
DR. NAUNIHAL SINGH:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the total land area under cantonments in our country;

(b) what is the cantonment-wise break-up of these lands;

(c) what is percentage utilisation of such lands and break-up of land use for various purposes;

(d) whether there are any plans for better utilisation of cantonment lands; and